

Sover Memorial at Strattord on Avon.

How the Memory of the Great Poet and Dramatist Will Be Honored By All Nations On April 23rd-the Ter-Centenary of His Death.

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What needs my Shakespeare for his honour'd bones. The labor of an age in piled stones?

Under a star-y pointing pyramid? Dear son of memory, great heir of

What need'st thou such weak witness of thy name?

Tast built thyself a live-long monu-

Then then our fancy of itself bereav-ing, these nations in doing become to the pose-

ing races for a century or more. The works quite as well as England. The nt the schools appropriate entertaininterest in his great works has grown German stage has treated him far means will be given.

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The Honoring of SHAKESPEARE



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# Celebration at Stratford.

held at Stratford-on-Avon, the poet's it is doubtful whether be ever may the birthplace, where young girls dressed poet and the portrait was probably to represent Shakespeare's heroines engraved from a pointing which was Or that his hallowed reliques should and his gentus more which and here more reverently than the theatres in will dance around the thought to light at Stratford. genuinely appreciated. As the three England or in America, and the Ger-hundredth auniversary of his death man people have fen times more op-in honor of the bard. Stratford-on- pleasing picture, hongs to the birthapproached it was minuted to nevens portunity to see the masterpieces of Avon has for years been the mesea place. approached it was minimed to recent positively and the people of the intellectual of all lands who of a Bishop of Ely and was painted truth by having a special colebration of Lendon or New York. In Berlin and come to wander about the hirthplace in the reventeenth century.

In Munich there is a Stakespeare of the man whose writings have been in the reventeenth century.

Celebrations of his supposed births these new are quartered there will be has been honored every theat-rical season in every large com-and Germany for the past quarter of a characters of Shakespeare's plays. In trees on the banks of the Avon. The from the portrait bust owned by the Shakespeare will have a banquet. knows his London the clabs will celebrate, while poet's grave inside the church is cor- Garrick Club and the Proceduct en-



Shakespeame now owned by the Garrick Club London

uted soon office Shakerpeare's death, nd accepted by the children of the atter as an or estable portrait. Neara is a window representing the Seven Ages, while I was erected with the coninbuttons of American visitors. The Shakespeare Memorial Building contains a theatre in which the annual memorial performance is held, a library of thre volumes of Shukespeare's works and a nicture gallery containing the famous Droeshout portealt of the poet. The man who made this picture was Martin Droeshout, a Flemish emmaver, who was still in his

of thy name?

Thou in our wonder and astonishment his name by pecual productions of in Minisch there is a Shakespeare of the man whose writings have been Northly is the amonatement that built therefore any see translated into every known faminage presented to the town of Stratford in his great place in every innormal above all his works, beliafing "Meas-part of the world. This was not sur- use for Mersone," "Trollius and Cres- his productions have been printed Gower. The top is surrounted by r-For whilst to the shame of slow endervoying art

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The case numbers flow, and the case numbers flow numbers flow numbers flow, and the case numbers flow, and the case numbers fl belongs to the world of literature and tand by the erection of a picturesque door of Shakespeare's birthplace every (History). Felstoff (Comedy) and in honor of the ter-centenary anni-Hath from the leaves of thy unvalued his portraval of human character is single—the work of out Lessing. It year is thirty thousand, one-fourth of Handel (Philosophy). There is also a versary, more or less an inferpretation of the stands in the city of Weimar and is whom are Americans. The old house fountain and clock tower presented to. In Fr. those believe times with deep im
buman instincts of all civilized na
pression took,

The control of the few statues which gives has been restored as far as possible the town in 1887 by an American whose series of lectures on the art of Shakes
tions, and a recognified of this was the poet a perfectly easy and natural and now belongs to the English Gov
name does not appear on the gift, pears, and in Paris they are especially. ose.

In England the ter-centenary celesismall room facing the street which is heldent which started the poet on planning banquets with readings from Dost make us marble with too much memory of this truly illustrious man, british will not be as elaborate as it the real show place of the house, atconceiving:

In the war of the European powers has interfered with this pian and in the such pomp dost lie

The so sepatcher'd in such pomp has interfered with this pian and in consequence the celebration will be seen and cellar are also away, as is the centage where the poet in the rural districts the school chilling the such pomp of the European powers has interfered with this pian and in the graden are control his wife. Anne Hathaway, dren will give a series of pageants. At is one of the best works of John Q. A. dost lie

That Kings for such a tomb would wish to die,

wish to die,

With the memory of the dramatist will well preserved. In the garden are consequence the celebration will be neglected. Outdoor performance of such plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays. The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of such plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays. The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of such plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays. The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays. The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays. The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays. The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer peare's plays." The site of "New the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abundance of the operation will be plays as "Mid-summer -Milton's Epitaph on Shakespeare, in the manner in which it will be given for the benefit of the marked, as is Tudor House which was scription in 1741. It is nearly always spired by Shakespeare's works will be greatness of Shakespeare is fully recwounded coldiers. At one or two of restored by Miss Mario Corolli, the wreathed in howers. In the National produced, Gound's "Romeo and Julesta" tions are proud to do him homage, Portrait Callery in London hangs the liette" will be given with an all-star tions are proud to do him homage,



The German Idea of Shakespeare. Statue by Otto Lessing al Weimar Germany

from descriptions furnished by his friends. The Zoust portrait came to light in 1725, and several others, such as the Jinson portrait and the Felten Their celebration will not end on April portrait, all show variations from the Droeshout pleture-so, after all, we The national celebration will be hasheed when Shakespeare died, and can only imagine what manner of throughout the year, Already we have man the Bard of Avon was in ap- been treated to a notable production which resembles a portrait owned by Windsor by American players, and the Kesselstadt family, but neither Henry the Eighth with Sir Herbert portrait nor mask has been proven to Tree as Cardinal Woolsey. America resemble the poet.

### Honored in Denmark, France and Italy.

ored Shakespeare by a splendid me- appearing on the stage today. He has morial showing the post scated in a also put on a moving picture Macbeth arge stone chair. The figure is both on a most elahorate scale.

Tringy Charch, where the bard is formous Changes portrait of Shakes caste, while "Otello" and "Falstaff" and in the language of one of our

Memorial in the Poets Corner Westminster Abbey, London will also send a wreath to his grave

at Stratford-on-Avon.

Even in far away Japan there will be an outdoor performance of "As You Like It" given in Japanese. All of the Shakespeare plays have been translated into the Japanese language and have become the basis of the drama course in the schools. At Tokio, Yokahoma and Kioto a Shakespeare play will be given by native actors.

# Greatest Celebrations Here. For more than ten years the Shakes-

peare societies of our country have been preparing for the ter-centenary. twenty-third, as we shall likely have elaborate Shakespearean productions There is also a death mask of Macbeth and The Merry Wives of is fortunate in having this distinguished player "in our midst" as he is recognized as perhaps the best por-Denmark, Hamlet's land, has hon- trayer of Shakespearean characters, arranged for the week in which the In France the people are holding a anniversary occurs. They range from a simple reading of a play to the

most elaborate pageant. There are several statues erected in memory of the poet in this country, Central Park, New York City. This The monument to Shakespeare in Bordeaux they will present one or two Ward. It will be wreathed in flowers

on Anniversary Day. After three hundred years the real In Holland the Shakespeare Club where he will not reign supre



hakespeare Idealized - Picture

# A Sketch of the Life of the Bard of Avon, and of His Rise to the Highest Place In the World's Literature.

Syndlente.

ld day of Shakespeare's birth anot be exactly ascertained The inscription on his monu-

He was the son of John and Mary Arden Shakespeare, who lived on Hen-ley street in the little English town street in the little English town of Stratford-on-Avon. Their home was a poor one, and the room in which he great poet was born was poorly furnished, its walls were white-washed and its ceiling consisted of uncovered farmer, in 1557, and was at that time calves offered for sale. The father a halliff and a glove maker. The wife inherited a small sum of money from father and with this they pur-

ame to the Shakespeare family and his remarkable knowledge of law as to father tried various ways of mak- shown in his writings. a Eving, such as dealing in corn

biographers describes him as a "chesthis parents." Owing to the financial reverses of his father young William was forced to leave school at the age sisted in the killing of the sheep and was compelled to mortgage his propher father and will, this they pur-chused the home where their gifted in an attorney's office, and how well he spent his time there is exhibited in

Married at Eighteen.

and thinker, and finally opening a At the age of eighteen he married the young man was obliged to leave he turned out plays rapidly.

Indicher thep. William was the third Anne Hathaway, one of the daughters that part of the country or to spend in 1596, after an absence of ten Aubrey, who was his earliest biog-The early years of the seventeenth child. His early life was passed like of a farmer of Shottery, a little village into of that age, and his large within a mile of Stratford. This possenting at that time were severe, lie purchased valuable lands and assisted tory does not record an act which lady was eight years his senior. Three left his family at Warwickshire and his father in rebuilding his fortune.

to Shakespeare's biographers. Strolling players frequently came to the village and the young man took an active fore his death, never attained very interest in their performances and much prominence as a player, soon came to know the old English dependent upon his slender purse it was next to impossible for him to leave his work even for a few days.

learning Greek and Latin. One of his but not altogether happily, according of fifteen and assist his father in the of the performers. He often wished out its ceiling consisted of uncovered butcher shop. Aubrey in his blog-raphy asserts that the lad often aserty. Taxes were unpaid and finally to the matter. It seems that he went

Born (old Print)

in various parts of London and were erowded to their capacity. Shakes- relies. peare, although he continued to act upon the stage until a few years be-

In 1593 his first work appeared in the shape of a narrative poem, "Venus nobleman.

About this time Hamnet, the only son of the poet, died. After John Shakespeare, his father, had received material aid he set about to obtain a coat a tradition that Queen Elizabeth was started for London, the land of op-portunity which his genius demanded, author in favor at Court and the fa-manded. Shakespeare to continue the ther began to search the family tree self practically penniless and for a service for the Crown. After awhile time he cked out a living by holding he discovered that one of his forefathe horses of gentlemen outside the there had done service for King Henry theatre. Some time later he seems the Seventh, and the crest was forthto have found some of his strolling coming. Two years later the poet Shakespearean scholars declare that to retire. His sources of income had player friends who helped him to ob- was styled "gentleman" in a legal docain work in a printing establishment, ument. Shakespeare's prosperity con-But this did not satisfy his ambition, tinued, and a year later he purchased and through his acquaintance with a house at "New Place" and set about James Burbage he managed to get a to make it one of the show places of part on the stage. Queen Elizabeth that time. This property passed into ten when the Jew was contemptible in good interest and one of his biograloved the play and was an enthusi- the possession of his daughter Susan- the mind of Western Europe, where he phers is of the opinion that his inastic patron of the player. Little nah, who became the wife of an emiwooden theatres began to spring up nent physician. This house is now

William

Shakespeare. IM Possession of the Trustees of the Poet's

Birthplace at

Loved His Birthplace.

his time between London and Strat- ing years of Elizabeth's reign, and lovers, the heroine of which Shakescare has made one of the most en- and its Scottish background shows hanting women of literature. A Favorite at Court.

was frequently called to Court in reference to new plays and there is story and show Falstaff in love, and poet to have it ready in fourteen days. men grew old early in those days, Her request was fulfilled, but many and he felt that the time had come on account of its being so hurriedly been from his plays, from his stock written the humor of Falstaff lacks in the Globe Theatre, which unforthe spontaneity and freshness of the tunately was destroyed by fire in Falsteff of "Henry IV."

was regarded as the personification of come in later life was not less than greed. Today the tragic figure of fifteen thousand dollars per year. His used as a museum for Shakespeare Shylock is one of the most command- family at that time consisted of his ing characters in dramatic art.

The poet loved his birthplace and Queen became exacting and suspi- Hall, and the second, Judith, wedded frequently visited the village where he clous, continually finding fault with John Quincy, a wine merchant of had now become a man of importance, the new plays. When "Richard the Stratford, shortly before her father's in fact so important that his neigh- Second" was put on she plainly showed death. Early in 1616 Shakespeare had bors began to ask him for loans, some her dislike for the theme. But back a draft of his will prepared which and Adonis," dedicated to the Earl of of which are still unpaid. Unlike of this dislike for the play was her he signed in March. Southampton, the poet's patron and friend. "Lucrece" followed a year later and was dedicated to the same shrowd bargainer and a tax dodger of block, and Southampton, whom she Stratford with his old friend Ben the keenest type, for he actually condemned to life imprisonment. Johnson and the poet Drayton. It is evaded the restrictions against brew- These men were his friends and their not unlikely that the cause of this thed the matter. It seems that he went with some others on a posching trip Shakespeare's career as a dramatic au- His wife's debts he left unpaid and mind that when the Queen died in the street in which he lived. Two to the deer park at Charcote and was ther began, as his earliest dramatic was careless about his own. He was 1603 he alone of all the poets re- days later he was buried inside the recognized and about to be arrested, exercise seems to have been whipping continually in literation with some- mained silent when poetic eulogies chancel of Holy Trinity Church. Over In revenge he made a ballade on the into shape for the stage plays which body. As there was no copyright at were filling the air. Shakespeare's fa- his grave are cut in stone lines that owner which caused that gentleman were out of date. It is generally contact that time the poet refused to have vorite child had died in 1596, and in have become familiar to the Englishto redouble his persecution of young ceded that "Love's Labor Lost" was his plays published as he feared this 1601 his father, to whom he was despeaking world: Shakespeare to such an extent that his first original play and after that might lessen their financial value to voted, had been laid to rest in the "Good friend, for Jesus' sake force little cemetery beside the Avon.

The early years of the seventeenth

the suggestion of King James. "King Lear" was his next work, and in this the dramatist mounted to the sublimest heights of dramatic creation. Other plays followed in quick succession and Shakespeare's fame spread over the known world.

He left London and returned to 1613. He owned valuable land in His "Merchant of Venice" was writ- Stratford from which he derived a wife and two daughters. The oldest Toward the close of her reign the was already married to Doctor John

beare

stones An curst be he that moves my bones."







before Queen Elizabeth

Shakespeame's Appeamance From 1595 until his death he divided Caesar" was written during the close

ford, coming to the latter place to rest and perhaps to get atmosphere for his work, for in "The Merry Wives of Windsor" and the "Taming of the Shraw" his references to the part of a lames I be showed favor to seventury. Shrew" his references to the part of of James I he showed favor to sevhe country in which he spent his boy- eral actors, among whom was Shakeshood days are unmistakable. "As You peare, and when "Othello" was pre-Like It," too, is a play of pastoral sented he asked that others be given. "Macbeth" was completed in 1606,

Retired at Forty-seven.

To dig the duste enclosed heare; Bleste be the man that spares these